JULY BUILDING OPERATIONS SHOW NATION-WIDE DECREASE

Falling Off of Nearly 50 Per Cent as Compared With Same Month of 1916-Local Figures Also Markedly Lower.

tive showing for July that would indicate an unsatisfactory state of the industry, the actual figures just issued are even worse than had been anticipated. Comparisons of building operations for July, 1917, with the figures for the same month a year ago, show a falling off in operations of 49 per cent, as reported from a long while, though the August showing is expected to the American Contractor.

TWO BIG TRUSTS ON PART

The Arlington building, incorporated,

Arlington Hotel site which is to be im-

\$1,400,000 has been given to the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of

New York. Annual payments of \$20,000 are provided until November 1, 1922,

when the balance of the amount is to

mature. Interest is fixed at 6 per cent.

This loan was effected through the Union Trust Company, which is named

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New Twelve-Room English Base

ment Residence to Be Held as In-

vestment by New Owner.

Although persons familiar with condi-tions in the building industry throughout the country were prepared for a compara-tive showing for July that would indicate materials because of war contracts hold-

o the American Contractor.	No. of			parative fig	Percent.
City.		* cost. \$1,117,958	buildings.	cost. 3756,425	Gain.Loss.
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Ultoona, Pa	185	78,697 330,846	188	200,717	65
Atlantic City. N. J	73	45,044 39,576	62 18	73,383 29,385	35
Saltimore, Md	193	888,992 204,500	283 105	618,218 121,350	
Singhamton, N. Y.	114	133,374	251	144,831	8
Souton, Mass., and vicinity	253	242,508 4,310,000	488	4,912,000	71 ii i2 28
Bridgeport, Conn	128	4,310,000 334,020 159,240	136	4,912,000 464,157 134,612	52 30
Suffalo, N. Y.	408	1,472,000 216,705	367 119	1,135,000 341,440	
indar Rapids, Iowa	17	189,000 53,485	34 26	198 000	48 8
hattanooga, Tenn	146	89,489 4,204,100	186 844	58,156 39,984 8,076,800	
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Develand, Ohio	1,087	7,110	1,228 28 268	2,397,660 55,025	11 87
columbus, Ohio	141	268,435 145,720	116	563,085 268,176 123,060 350,805	87 82 46 49 26 28 25 9
Davenport, Iowa	75	145,720 62,058 257,674	139	123,060 250,805	26
Denver, Col.	190	217,400 103,310	200	348,770 188,383	38
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ort Worth, Tex.	39	675,200 64,596 180,885	68	289,500 257,220 246,822	133 75
Ingriaburg, Pa.	106 28	113,860	127 22	90,215	26
Toboken, N. J.	17	317,130 23,800	101 20	363,756 95,623	26 13 75
Juntington, W. Va	14	31,185	8 82	97,400	68
ndianapolis, Ind.	421	516,785 709,650	560	102,100 818,979 214,275	37
Cansas City, Kan.	49	57,480 1,040,740	35 54	51,940	11 6
Awrence, Mass.	16	26,150 74,875	312 27	1,108,140 58,650	55
on Angeles, Cal.	**444	1,063,808	539	157,275 909,056	
ouisville, Ky	76	166,980	155 93	909,056 203,550 87,511	18
demphis, Tenn.	119	274,670 979,908	163	261,405	5
finneapolis, Minn.	454	979,435 15,395	367 550 112	1,913,175 40,481 577,343 269,425 266,275	40
ewark, N. J.	177	627,241	257	577,845	9 74
lew Haven, Conn.	108	70,850 444,912	78 125 86	269,425 266,275	67 74
lew York city-	65	818,573		381,126	115
Borough of Manhattan	313	1,894,095	505 290 1,016	1.283.266	96
Borough of Brooklyn	843	1,975,406	1,016	1,283,266 2,522,105 1,406,700 515,723	96 27 22 52 76 90
Barough of Richmond	28	678,125 124,650	2,506	515,728	76
liagara Falls, N. Y	39	5,596,528 181,285 118,558	52	54,983,014 146,598	24
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usadena, Cal	102 70 25 75	202,527 54,600 96,287	128	158,371	32
sterson, N. J.	75	96,287 566,480	87	122,917 417,139	32 55 77 241
kiladelphia, Pa.	592	5,195,865 1,375,752	1,040	166,435 3,101,685 966,296	67 ::
ortland, Me.	29	125,225 358,955	49	97,970	67 42 28
uebio, Col.	280	62,605	355 11 76	368,525 9,810	100
leading, Pa.	33	196,258 58,275	72	267,330 164,075 269,169	27 64 32 63 79
lichmond, Va.	88	182,841 574,548	127 242		32
acramento, Cal	53	58,275 182,841 574,548 65,298 18,275	85	176,239 63,965 192,325	63
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an Francisco, Cal.	380	27,898	30	1,497,279	39
chenectady, N. Y.	223	34,200	30 56 110	132,095	74
eranton, Pa.	34		70 654	171,700	69
loux City, lows	80	475,190 270,965 282,163 258,380	47		57
pokane, Wash.	73	258,880	75 94 55	97,652 147,470	189
pringfield, Mass.	108	69,080 170,882	144	108,100 427,295 11,425	33
t. Louis, Mo.	86 596	124,425 1,852,208 1,014,684	55 658	1,541,421	980
t. Paul, Minn.	174	110,829	658 200 37	782 224	30
uperior, Wis.	108	195,420. 321,664	87 78 184	44,629 71,155 222,560	175
acoma, Wash	70	72,941	113	84,936	** 14
bledo, Ohio	319	72,941 61,984 361,955	330	67,740 565,492	36
renton, N. J.	26	114,631	66	101.893	53
Itica, N. Y.	39	25,210 78,525	54 46	114,985 66,590 157,900	62
Washington, D. C.	318	644,670 458,174	392	1,814,753	50
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	66	59,284 326,525	68	185,800 185,580	233 68
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APARTMENT AT CORNER OF WISCONSIN AVENUE AND GARPIELD STREET, JUST COMPLETED, GIVES PANO RAMA OF MILES OF MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA HILLS AND ENTIRE CITY.

AFFORDS MAGNIFICENT OUTLOOK.

APARTMENTS ERECTED ON HISTORIC ROUTE

Two Modern Buildings Being Completed on Wisconsin Avenue, Braddock's Line of March.

finished and the other practically completed, are the latest architectural additions to Wisconsin avenue, which, in early colonial days, was the route along which Gen. Braddock led his army to the defeat at old Fort Duquesne.

One of these at the southwest corner of Wisconsin avenue and Garfield street has just been completed by H. L. Rust. The building is seven stories in height, with a front of dark red Harvard brick and limestone trim, and with the entire front taken up with semi-inclosed balconies, readily convertible, if desired, into sleeping porches.

Affords Wide Panorams

From this building is to be had a vonderful panorama of almost the entire city and wide stretches of the Maryland and Virginia hills and the winding Potomac. The building stands

winding Potomac. The building stands on one of the highest points overlooking the city.

The other apartment building, being pushed to completion by J. W. Pilling, is at the corner of Hall place and Wisconsin avenue, near the grounds of the Naval Observatory. The building is of buff brick with ornamentation of colored tiles and with red tile roof. It is expected the building will be ready for occupancy by October 1.

Near Braddock Camp.

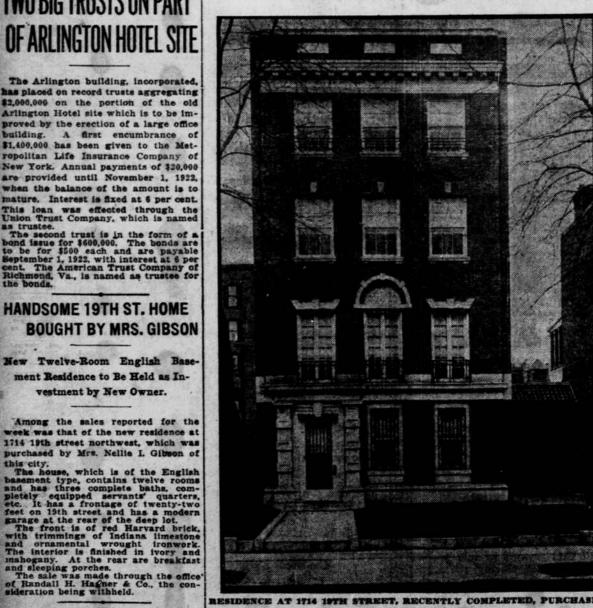
ort distance of the spot on which Gen. Braddock's army is said to have Gen. Braddock's army is said to have camped on its way from Virginia to meet the French and Indians at old Fort Duquesne, near the present city of Pittsburgh. The site of the camp is believed to have been the ground now occupied in part by Washington Cathedral and the Cathedral close, practically covering the tract adjacent to the intersection of Wisconsin and Massachusetts avenues.

BAIL FOR MRS. RENA MOONEY.

Granted Under One Indictment, But Others Are Pending Against Her. SAN FRANCISCO, August 18.—Mrs. Rena Mooney, under indictment for mur-der in connection with the preparedness day bomb murders last year, won the first steps in her fight for release from jail when Superior Judges Franklin A. Griffin

BUYS 19TH STREET HOME.

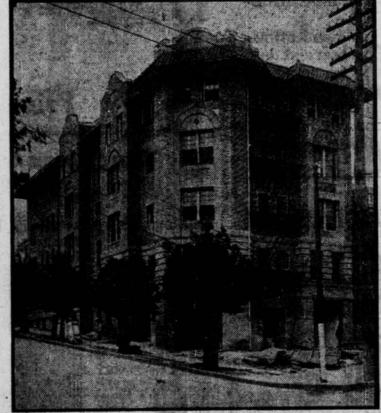
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BY MRS. GIBSON.

Indian Army Deserter Killed. New York Commercial in New Hands NEW YORK, August 18.—The New York Commercial, one of the oldest business and financial newspapers in the country, has been purchased by Russell E. Whitman, the managing director of the audit bureau of circulations. The retiring one of nine is murder. She a year.

NEW GEORGETOWN APARTMENT BUILDING.



HANDSOME STRUCTURE NEARING COMPLETION AT HALL PLACE AND

Near Braddock Camp. Both of these buildings are within a BUILDING AFFECTED BY WAR CONDITIONS

Curtailed Operations, in View of Experts, Means Change in Trend of Industry.

Business conditions have changed almost as much during the last few applies to nearly every industry in the country. The fundamental factors influencing business have taken on a rad- No. ically altered aspect due to the assur-ance of this nation's fixed determination to stay in this fight to a finish. The coming industry of this country is war, or, as it has been stated, "Business not as usual." For most industries this change means, "Business more than usual," with one important qualiscation, which is that growing emphasis will be put on the necessities phasis will be put on the necessites and utilities. No one can study the tremendous financial preparations, the estimates of which daily become larger, without realizing that business must continue in immense volume, however changed in character. This is what is implied in the phrase, "readjustment to a war basis."

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It is useless to argue that such a fundamental industry as building will not be affected by this change. Some of these effects are already in evidence. Today we speak of "curtailed building operations," which is the popular interpretation of the war's effect on building. But this does not tell the whole story. Rather should we say "change in the building trend."

Value of Work Started.

It is altogether probable that the total volume of building operations during the war will continue great. The thing to bear in mind, however, is that much of this work will be war construction in all its various ramifications. Particularly ought factory con-struction to prosper in the changing or-der of things. This tendency toward incustrist building is already apparent, as the following figures covering the central and eastern sections of the United States will show:

June, 1917. June, 1916. crease. fanufacturing eperations \$14,501,000 \$9,474,000 + 53% operations \$14,001,000 Residential operations ... 28,851,000 39,743,000 --37% operations.. 87,719,000 51,389,000 + 70% sperations. 87,719,000 51,389,000 + 70%

From the above data it will be seen that manufacturing and miscellaneous work is rapidly growing, whereas purely residential building (which has a greater tendency to be speculative) is less active. The factors underlying the present inclination to forego speculative investment in building are of the same nature as those which keep investors out of the stock market. On the other hand, the increasing demand for manufacturing structures and various allied work (clussed as miscellaneous) is due to the same causes that are stimulating the various industries of the country to maximum production. In other words, activity now tends toward the work necessary to supply the basic needs of the country. These are the lines that will flourish most during the war, and this applies to building, as well as to all other types of industry.

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In building circles, attention is now fixed primarily upon the various government operations, which have a direct and immediate military bearing. These are proving to be of greater magnitude than was at first estimated, and will require the employment of a vast volume of labor. At the present moment the greatest importance attaches to this work.

As the war progresses, however, we shall see an increase in other phases of building activity less directly though no less fundamentally related to the

carrying on of the war. This means that increased plant capacity must be provided for, and various other industrial work will prosper. Farmers will be obliged to provide proper storehouses, bins, cribs, etc., for their large crops. In fact, it is not improbable that the country may enter upon quite an active period of agricultural building.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate in the District of Columbia were recorded during the west ended yesterday:

INTEREST—Charles M. Corson to W. Owen Howenstein, all interest in real estate; \$10. No. 150 11th STREET NORTHEAST—Rebases and Marie L. Taylor, lot 21, square \$10. Marie L. Taylor, lot 22, square \$10. Marie L. Taylor, lot 23, square \$10. Marie L. Taylor, lot 33, square \$10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 36, block \$15. 10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 26, block \$15. 10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 28, square \$10. Marie Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 28, square \$10. Marie Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 28, square \$10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 28, square \$10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 26, square \$10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 7, square \$20. Marie L. Marie L. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 26, square \$20. Marie L. Marie L. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 26, square \$20. Marie L. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 36, square \$275. \$10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 36, square \$212. \$1.00. Same to 0scar Wilborg, lots 67 and 68, square \$30. \$1. \$10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 162, square \$212. \$1.00. Same to 0scar Wilborg, lots 67 and 68, square \$30. \$1. \$10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 162, square \$20. L. Sois \$10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot 169, square \$255. \$10. Marie L. Hitchugh, lot The following transfers of real estate in the

NO. 635 f. STREET NORTHWEST—Roxanna Saunders to Alonzo Waddelle, lot 169, square \$50: \$10.

NO. 1923 11th STREET NORTHWEST—Roxanna Beckwith et al. to John H. Beckwith, lot 15, square 333; \$10: Jeanette S. Taper to same, same property; \$10: Mary J. Beckwith, guardian, to same, same property; \$30. PTTWORTH—Benjamin H. Gruver et ur, to Fred M. Burhans and Mary E. Burhans, lot 38, square 3223; \$10.

CONNECTICUT AVENUE TERRACE—Harry K. Boss et al. to May F. Hedges, lot 24, square 1747; \$10.

NO. 1816 M STREET NORTHWEST—Washington Loan and Trust Company, trustee, to

Ing.
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L STREET NORTHWEST between 12th and 18th streets—Charles P. Stone et al. to Frederick and William J. Schuler, part lot 2, square 285; 110. K STREETS SOUTHWEST—Nellie T. Tunstall et al. to Eva J. Turner, lot 70, quare 615, \$10.

PETWINTH—George W. Acorn et ux. to Bermard Mount Pleasant And Pleasant Plains — George W. Acorn et ux. to Margaret Mount Pleasant And Pleasant Plains — George W. Acorn et ux. to Margaret Mount Pleasant And Pleasant Plains — George W. Acorn et ux. to Margaret Mount Pleasant And Pleasant Plains — George W. Acorn et ux. to Margaret Mount Pleasant And Pleasant Mount Pleasant And Pleasant Mount Pleasant And Mount Pleasant Pl

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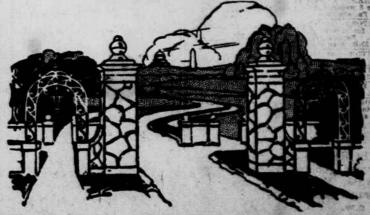
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